

CHAPTER NO. 495

SENATE BILL NO. 2015

By Person

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2160

By Buck, McMillan

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6 and Title 40, Chapter 32, relative to the expungement of records.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-32-101, is amended by deleting from subsection (a)(1) the language "or a conviction which has by appeal been reversed".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-32-101, is further amended by re-designating current subsection (b) as subsection (b)(1), and by adding the following as a new subsection (b)(2):

(b)(2) "Public records", for the purpose of expunction only, does not include appellate court records or appellate court opinions.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-32-101, is further amended by adding the following new sentence to the end of subdivision (d)(1):

"In addition, the court shall send or cause to be sent a copy of all expungement orders, including orders for expungement for records as a result of successful completion of pretrial and judicial diversion, to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-32-101, is further amended by adding the word "or" at the end of subsection (e)(3), by deleting subsection (e)(4) in its entirety and by renumbering subsection (e)(5) accordingly.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-6-118, is amended by adding the following new sentence at the end of subsection (d):

"Provided, however, that the bureau shall forward all information on expungement orders to the administrative office of the courts for the sole purpose of ensuring the expungement of records from the databases maintained pursuant to §§16-3-803(i) and 16-1-117."

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 11, 2002



JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 19th day of March 2002



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